

**PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF RICHMOND, INDIANA, SERVING AS A BOARD
IN CHARGE OF THE OPERATION OF THE RICHMOND POWER & LIGHT PLANT
MONDAY, APRIL 7, 2008**

The Common Council of the City of Richmond, Indiana, serving as a Board in charge of the operations of the Richmond Power & Light Plant met in regular session at 7 p.m. Monday, April 7, 2008 in the Council Chambers in the Municipal Building in said City. Chairperson Welch presided.

ROLL CALL: Present were: Howard "Jack" Elstro, Kelley Cruse-Nicholson, Bruce Wissel, Clayton Miller, Bing Welch, Larry Parker, Diana Pappin, Bob Goodwin and Phil Quinn.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Board member Parker moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held March 17, 2008 and the special meeting held March 21, 2008. Board member Cruse-Nicholson seconded. Upon a vote *viva voce*, the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF BILLS, INVESTMENTS AND TRANSFERS:

Upon recommendation of the Finance Committee, Board member Pappin moved to hold the Financial Report for approval at the April 21, 2008 meeting, with a second by Board member Goodwin. Upon a vote *viva voce*, the motion passed.

STREET LIGHT COMMITTEE: Board member Welch presented a Petition to Install Street Lights on Lakeview Court and Parkale Drive. The Street Light Committee will take this Petition under advisement.

Board member Elstro reported that all street light projects are on hold due to the projected loss of revenue for the City of Richmond.

OLD BUSINESS:

▪ **AWARD BID FOR ENGINEERING ON THE HODGIN TRANSMISSION LINE RE-BUILD:**

General Manager Steve Saum recommended Power Systems Design as the lowest and best bidder to receive the bid for the Hodgin Transmission Line. The amount of the bid was \$85,000. The budgeted amount for this project is \$150,000. Board member Miller moved to accept the recommendation of Mr. Saum and award this bid to Power Systems Design, with a second by Board member Quinn. Upon a vote *viva voce*, the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

▪ **REQUEST TO RECEIVE BIDS ON TWO (2) NEW DUMP TRUCKS:**

This request is to replace Unit No. 29, a 1997 with 72,324 miles and Unit No. 39 with 89,425 miles.

Board member Quinn moved to authorize the General Manager to receive bids on two new dump trucks as approved in the Capital Budget, with a second by Board member Parker. Upon a vote *viva voce*, the motion passed.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS:

Board member Parker revisited the issue of a Resolution by Richmond Power and Light, and an Ordinance by Common Council, delineating the responsibilities regarding street lights. Board member Welch reported this will be addressed in the new Master Plan

REPORT BY GENERAL MANAGER:

- Both generating station units are down because of work on the baghouse and will be off-line until April 11.
- Mr. Saum has received four bids on bonds for the baghouse. According to Ice-Miller the rates ranged from 3.6 – 4.2%.
- The plans for the Lineman Rodeo on April 19 are in order. There is a record number of teams participating.
- There will be a Committee of the Whole work session on April 14 at 7 PM at Richmond Power and Light. The Committee will be working on financial reports.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business and a motion duly made, the meeting was adjourned.

S/S Bing Welch
Bing Welch, Chairperson

S/S Karen Chasteen
ATTEST: Karen Chasteen, Clerk